



**TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT**

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Group Art Unit: **3738**

In re patent application of: **Ondrla et al.**

Examiner: **Javier G. Blanco**

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For: **Joint Prosthesis with Infinitely Positionable Head**

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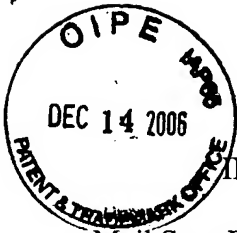
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 9, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper;

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.